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No Postmaster yet.

HON. JACOB THOMPSON, of Buchanan's Cabinet, died yesterday in Memphis. He was seventy-five years old.

MR. SPARKS, appointed Commissioner of the Land Office yesterday, is from Illinois, and served eight years in Congress.

JOHN A. BURBANK and A. O. BEARS, of Indiana, have resigned their positions of Postoffice Inspectors to take effect April 1.

"JUDGE" KIGHTLEY, of Indiana, Third Auditor of the Treasury, was requested yesterday by Secretary Manning to resign.

Our Washington special published elsewhere in this morning's Sentinel gives the latest reliable intelligence regarding the next Postmaster of this city.

Our Winamac, Ind., correspondent reports a murder committed at Medaryville, Pulaski County, Monday night. The telegram will be found in another column.

The Journal had the Postoffice matter all settled yesterday. The cheap langes of wit read like a last year's almanac to those who were posted on the situation.

If we were called upon to name the complaint of one of the organs that was scratching at the Sentinel yesterday, we would pronounce it one for which verminage is prescribed.

The President makes appointments too rapidly for the organs. They hardly get time to vilify one before another comes quickly following. They are catching up gradually.

PENDLETON is a grand improvement on that bump on a buckeye log that Hayes sent on a foreign mission. Noyes was his name—but he did not make enough to be heard during his four years' residence in Paris.

The Evening Minute says about sixty good things every day. It will expand into an Evening Hour if it keeps on. Yesterday, among other sensible paragraphs, it contained the following:

"If Cleveland will only keep on the way he is doing, he will reform the whole country. I like him better every day." And this was the remark over the breakfast table this morning of a Republican lady of this city, who, during the campaign, regarded Cleveland almost with loathing and disgust. The change of mind indicated is just what may be found all through the country.

THERE is a class of Republicans employed about the departments at Washington that need reconstructing, if not outright removal. They attend to the doors and number several hundred. Some are very impudent, as the Courier-Journal correspondent notes as follows:

I met one of these impudent public servants in the War Department yesterday, and only last Friday I met the same kind of an ill-mannered cur in the Interior Department. These men do not come under the civil-service reform rules, either by appointment or conduct. They are paid \$750 per annum to insult their betters and bow low to dead clerks and big officials. They should be made to walk the plank, and their places should be filled by worthy and respectable men.

When they are turned aside their places can be filled with Democrats as described by the same correspondent:

A few days after the inauguration of Cleveland there came to Washington from various sections of the country a hundred or more worthy and honest Democrats. They were very poor, not willing to do any kind of work for the Government that would enable them to make money enough to keep body and soul together. They appealed to their Democratic Representative in Congress to get them into a watchman's place or anything else where they could make a living. Nothing has been done for these men. The statement that nothing can be done for them is false.

WHEN we get the Commercial Gazette out of the hearing of the flappings and flutterings of the bloody shirt it carries a very level head. Yesterday in referring to Mr. Pendleton, our new minister to Berlin, it was pleased to say: "It would have been difficult for Mr. Cleveland to have made a better choice for so important a mission as that of Minister at the Court of Germany. Endowed by nature with a strong and vigorous intellect, it has been assiduously improved by cultivation and study, and by the polish of wide experience and general education. He is calm and self-possessed, never forgets even amid political excitement the duties of a gentleman, whose very nature would allow of nothing else. His speeches and public addresses were always models of good taste and oratorical strength. With refined social qualities, a personal appearance of manliness and dignity, and an education which embraces political as well as scientific subjects, his presence at the Court of Germany can not but reflect honor upon the city of his birth and credit upon the recognition of sterling worth, which could not be crowded out even by the personal malice of journalism or the cringing persecution of gangs and

gangs. His appointment is a tribute to respectability, which Cincinnatians, irrespective of party creed, will know how to appreciate and respect."

"CAVORTING"

Whoever has seen a sore-back horse cavort when the saddle presses has seen something with which to compare either of the Republican organs of Indianapolis since the Democratic daily, the Sentinel, demonstrated its superior strength and influence in the late campaign. It will be remembered that during the canvass the combined venom of these organs was directed against the Sentinel. Their essays at black guarding were only equaled by their gross misrepresentation. That eventuations established the wisdom and truth of every position assumed by the Sentinel has given the organs acute sore backs. As they see the Sentinel growing stronger with the months and hear its cheerful song over the overthrow of the Republican Beelzebub and the ascendancy of the radiant goddess of reform, their saddles bear heavy upon their contusions and they cavort again.

THE FRUIT GATHERERS.

We understand that the Union Veterans Army is not a partisan, though a political organization, and that it numbers many Democrats on its roll of membership.—Journal.

The Union Veterans Association assembled at the Court-house last night and found the doors barred against them, but they remained together long enough to pass resolutions condemning the Sentinel for its criticism on the authorities for allowing the association free quarters in the Court-house, and to appoint a committee to hire a hall.—Oregon Item.

Mr. Clinton, of the Board of County Commissioners (which is Republican), "barred out" this Union Veterans organization. This is rather strong evidence that the members are sailing under a false flag. They are simply a ring figuring for the offices at the next political election in this city and county. A good name for them would be "the Fruit Gatherers." They are ambitious to enjoy "the fruits of the war," and therefore, this soothing title of "veterans." They are very veteran in the office hunting business. If these are not all Republicans our information is very faulty. We have been unable to find a solitary Democrat among them. The attempt of the Republican organs to shake a little bloody shirt in this affair is very weak but amusing.

INCONSISTENCY.

As for Mr. Robert M. McLane, of Maryland, his general history is well known. He has held a good many posts of honor and has acquitted himself in them with distinction. There is one passage in the history of his life which is not recorded in his biography.

The above relates to our new Minister to France which we find among a batch of Washington telegrams to a bloody shirt organ. It continues by giving incidents in the career of Mr. McLane during the early part of the rebellion. Mr. McLane took up no arms against his Government, but the following distinguished Republicans did, and they were heaped with honors by the Republican party with one exception: General Longstreet, Minister to Turkey under Hayes. General Key held a Cabinet position also under Hayes; General Mosby was given a Consulate by General Grant.

General Chalmers led the slaughter of colored troops at Fort Pillow, and would doubtless have been rewarded handsomely had it not been that about the time he reached the Republican camp, the grand army of the Democracy had routed the entire concern, horse, foot and dragon. Chalmers was too late.

COUPES AND BERLIN ROCKAWAYS.

The following is a list of the carriages, horses, etc., kept by the Interior Department of the last Republican administration, which the new Cleveland Democratic administration propose to sell next Friday for the benefit of the United States Treasury:

Six fine coupe-rockaways.
One Berlin rockaway.
One four-seat summer carriage.
Eight fine coupe and carriage horses.
One mail wagon.
Ten sets of double and single harness.
Ten horse blankets, eight horse covers, six three-quarter blankets, six buffalo robes, seven bay robes, three carriage covers.
Two poles, eight storm covers, whips, reins, brooms, chamol skins, ear nets, fly nets, feather dusters, collars, halters, shafts, sundrings, etc.

What on earth did the managers of the Interior Department do with eight vehicles of the kind mentioned in the foregoing? As the clerks were only employed about six hours per day, they perhaps aired themselves in these "fine coupes" and "Berlin rockaways." And then we note a "four-seat summer carriage." This was probably used by the radical rural roosters who flocked to Washington during the pleasant seasons of the year and were entertained with the sights of the capital at the expense of Uncle Sam. The sale of all these superfluous trappings of Republicanism will be called "cheese-paring" by the organs, but it will find favor with the people, who have been taxed to fatten a favored few on public pay and ride them about in "fine coupes" and "Berlin rockaways."

TREE VANDALISM.

The stories of suffering from famine that come from West Virginia, while they excite our sympathy, yet have a broader significance that has escaped general attention. This is but the forerunner of what is almost sure to be not an uncommon calamity in many parts of the United States in the future. As the forests are destroyed, and large areas once covered with trees are denuded of their sheltering foliage, frequent droughts are the inevitable result, their periods of duration growing longer as the process of forest destruction goes on. Nature bountifully supplied this continent with belts of timber that always retained moisture which could be drawn upon as from a vast reservoir when the atmosphere was heated and dried and needed a supply of water were rain could be precipitated. If the woods are destroyed, the law of compensation requires that trees must be planted by man to take the place of those removed by him, and not otherwise can destructive droughts be prevented. Portions of Indiana suffered last summer and fall as never before from lack of rain, and it should be a warning to us and to the whole country.

Our law-makers should take hold of this matter and do all possible to prevent the needless cutting down of trees, as well as to encourage their planting. The Government has offered 100 acres of land, under the timber culture act, to each of those who will set out and keep growing for a number of years a required acreage in trees, and this enactment should remain in force as long as does the Homestead law.

Investigation shows that the great desert of Sahara was once covered with verdure and was probably a forest, until the hand of man (the same who perhaps built the pyramids) removed it. Now that once fertile plain is the home of the sirocco.

While there are conditions belonging to the soil and natural features of the country of the so-called paper counties of West Virginia and Eastern Kentucky which are met with in other sections, and tend to poverty until the rich mineral resources there are developed, yet does the effect of the drought teach us a lesson to protect and save our forests as much as possible.

LONG-EARED COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

In the State of Indiana is a county of Lawrence, and in that county a town of Bedford, which Bedford is the county seat. Lawrence is a good county and Bedford a good town, and there are very many intelligent, amiable and hospitable people in both. For these several reasons, and because Bedford is a railway station, there will be from time to time during this and future years, visitors to the place. It may be that now and then one of these will have occasion to examine the records of the county, including the books of the County Commissioners. If any such examiner should chance to turn to page 461 of the record book of the Board of Commissioners of 1885 he will find written upon it the proceedings of the Board on that day, included in which will be the following:

"This day the Government passes out of the hands of the party who saved it and passes into the hands of a party with a following that is very hungry and thirsty. The G. O. P. relinquishes the Government to this thirsty horde with many misgivings, but with an abiding confidence in the patriotism of the American people, and that they, with four years hence, again place that party in power that favors liberty, equal rights and National unity."
(Signed)
A. C. GLOVER,
WILLIAM STICKLES,
AARON WRIGHT,
Commissioners.

That is what the visitor will read in the record book, and having read it he will go out and buy three bridles, and with them in hand stand upon a corner. And when a citizen of Bedford approaches him and asks what he would do with the bridles the visitor will answer: "I am waiting here to put them on three asses—three narrow minded, egotistical, political asses that are loose in Lawrence County, the names of which are Glover, Stickles and Wright, Commissioners for the county in the year 1885."

THE Washington Star announces that if the Democracy don't behave themselves, the Republicans will support Mr. Cleveland, and this sort of balderdash is telegraphed to the Western organs of the Republican party. So let the "wicked Buffalo Democrat"—the man that was vilified, lied about and scandalized—the "vulgar," "cearse," "fat" man—the man that "put his collar on over his head," etc., etc., will be supported by the Republican party. Why, this is something in the nature of a miracle. We had hardly expected to capture the entire gang so soon. We may expect Jim Blaine with his grip-sack, and Johnny Logan and all the remainder of the boys. A political mill-nium draweth nigh. Perhaps the Washington Star will not be so jolly this time next year.

In one column of yesterday's Journal we find the following:

Henry Rooten Jackson, the author of "Talk-lah" and other poems. Heavens! Who next? In the next column of the same paper this occurs:

Both referring to our new Minister to Mexico.

CURRENT NOTE AND COMMENT.

A MAN is often called a bartender when in reality he is a bar tough.—Yonkers Statesman.

The Coshocton Age prints the name of the new Postmaster General as Valise.—Columbus (O.) Journal.

They say the walking between this and Washington is just terrible.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The claims of ex-Congressmen are limited only by the circumference of the earth.—Cincinnati Times-Star.

In Arizona any person who uses profane, indecent, obscene, vile or abusive language or threats, within hearing of women or children, is held liable by law to fine or imprisonment.

THERE will be seven names on the ticket to be voted for in New York State this fall, a larger number than the ticket has contained in any one year since 1879. The party which carries the State will control all the departments for the next three years.

A few days ago a jury trial occurred in one of our courts of justice, in Clyde, and after the jury had been discharged the following ballots were picked up in the jury room: "No cause of action;" "no cause of action;" "no cause of action;" "no cause of action;" "no cause of action;" "no cause of action;" "no cause of action;"—Lyons Press.

THE one man who suggested M. V. Montgomery as Commissioner of Patents to the President was Don Dickinson, the Michigan member of the Democratic National Committee. Mr. Dickinson believes that Michigan has become such a doubtful State that a very little encouragement in the way of appointing some of her best men to office would make her a Democratic State in the next election. The President asked Mr. Dickinson to name one of the best and most influential of the Michigan Democrats. He suggested Mr. Montgomery, and added that

he would make a good Commissioner of Patents. The President agreed at once to appoint him. He hastily directed it to be done. A clerk was sent out and the batch of nominations which had already been started to the Senate was checked long enough to add Mr. Montgomery's name to the list.—Washington Special.

It was a cold, disagreeable day yesterday, and yet the World collected \$74.08 for the Bartholdi pedestal fund. We now have a total of \$884.40. The seed that we are sowing will soon take root in the hearts of the American people. We hope to begin reaping the glorious crop when the weather moderates.—New York World.

A CONTEMPORARY thinks there should be a law restraining persons with great estates from squandering them. The fact is, however, that millionaire spendthrifts are the safety valves of society, the providential antidote for the bane of great individual accumulations. Let 'em spend, and restore the equilibrium.—Lowell (Mass.) Courier.

A PREACHER who was not above being now and then in the pulpit, a few years ago happened to quote the lines of Watts:

"Up to the fields, where angels trod,
And living waters gently roll," etc.
and added, "No; the angels don't lie—it was the poet who lied." No doubt he thought he had neatly impaled the poet on the point of his little pun. And this merely because it pleased him to assert that heaven is a state of unwearied and blissful activity.—Boston Watchman.

THE world is well rid of a most obnoxious and brutal ruffian, if it is true, as reported, that Currie, the Texas slayer of the actor Porter, has his self been shot in New Mexico. The acquittal of Currie is probably the most stultifying verdict ever delivered by a jury sworn to decide according to the law and the evidence. He went free by virtue of that verdict, and has since walked the earth as a recognized murderer. Frontier civilization is responsible for such a man as Currie. It will help to balance the account if it is also entitled to the credit of his final taking off.—Philadelphia Press.

LOADS OF LUCK.

General Butler's cloud has a silver lining. He rents his Washington house on Capitol Hill for about 21 per cent of the original investment. General Butler seems to have loads of luck.

AMUSEMENTS.

THE ABBOTT GRAND OPERA COMPANY.

The Abbott Grand Opera Company, which is deservedly one of the most popular organizations before the public, gave their second performance last night at Dickson's. Ambrose Thomas' "Mignon" was presented to a large and very brilliant audience, and in a manner that gave entire satisfaction. Her "Mignon" is as strong in conception, dramatic action and vocalization as was her "Violetta" on Monday night. Goethe's heroine has had few better interpreters, having the charm of naturalness, girlishness and freedom from the stiffness that characterize the Italian stage. She lacked strength to assert herself in some of the concerted passages, but in the solo work more genuine outbursts of passion and brilliant vocalization were seldom heard. The romance, "Knowest Thou the Land," was superbly given both in its tender episodes and the embroidery of its cadenza. In the second act was an artistic and dramatic sketch, worthy of the best comedienne. Miss Bellini has all the personal attractions and vocal qualifications for the part of "Filina." She has a fine soprano voice, highly cultivated in the Italian school, and her best work is in the upper register. Miss Annandale's "Frederick" was an animated comedy representation, and being in excellent voice she was particularly felicitous. Mr. Castle's "Wilhelm Meister" was marked by his characteristic grace and artistic finish, although the demands of the score at times fully tested his vocal powers. The choruses were ably assisted by Brerick and Allen. The chorus was strong and the instrumentation was effectively handled. Matinee this afternoon, "Heart and Hand," and to-night the season closes with Rossini's "Semiramide."

THE Juvenile Opera Company is catching on wonderfully, judging from the size of the audience. It is just the thing to catch the fancy of little folks and not miss that of many adults. It contains a moral that is elevating and ennobling to a young mind. The little sun glim, Baby Clara, as "Cinderella" is just as perfect as one can call for. Her extreme youth and beauty may blind one to any little imperfections she might possibly show. Master Richard as the "Prince" displays a dramatic ability far beyond his years, which, by the way, are not numerous—only six. Lottie, Essie, Lizzie and Madge Holroyd, whose names we do not need to repeat seventeen, who act as the support of the little stars, are up to the average.

Mr. Ira Newhall, as "Baron Balderdash," does some funny acting and some very good singing. The Hollywoods in their specialties do a great deal of solid and enjoyable entertainment. Mr. Harry LaRose in his club swinging act on a revolving globe displays an agility and such wonderful skill as to win for him loud and continued applause. The juvenile exhibitors are at English's during the week with matinee daily. Admission only 10, 20 and 30 cents.

RHEA IN HER NEW PLAYS.

Rhea, the most charming and successful of all the foreign actresses playing in the English language, will appear at Dickson's Opera House for two nights and Saturday matinee, beginning on Friday night, opening with Sardou's brightest comedy, "Arcadia" (a dangerous game) in which, says a Boston critic, "Rhea is like a ray of sunshine piercing the clouds." Pathos and mirth chase each other over the lovely face in a manner that does one good to behold. Rhea has a strong supporting company this season: prominent among the names is that of Mr. Edward Henley, of Wallace's Theater, New York, who has been pronounced the best leading man since Charles K. Thorne, Jr., was with us. Rhea's costumes are those of royalty, intended for the Queen of Holland, and Rhea wears them with the dignity and grace of the queen of her art that she is "Cassiopeia," in which Rhea is without rival, with Mr. Henley as "Armand," will be played at the Saturday matinee, and on Saturday night the latest Eastern success, "The American Countess." This will be Rhea's farewell visit, as she leaves for Europe in the early spring and a better selection of modern plays could not be made.

THE DIME MUSEUM.

Hundreds of people were turned away from the Dime Museum both Monday and last night, unable to gain admission on account of the rush. The show given this week is the best one of the season in every department, and the people want to see it. Perhaps the greatest curiosity on exhibition

is the wonderful "Baby Venus"—the child woman. She is only five years old, yet is as perfectly developed in face and form as the most mature woman. None like her was ever seen before since the days of Mother Eve. In fact, there is no other case in history where a child was born into the world in the full blush of womanhood, aside from Eve and "Baby Venus," and there will likely never be another. She is simply a lovely woman in miniature—pert and pretty, and engaging in manner. Then comes Colonel Cooper, the English giant, over eight feet high, and said to be the tallest man on earth. Also, the Fiji family; Eugene Ferrato, giant skeleton; Henrietta Morrill, the fat midget; George James, the fat boy, and the Langman juvenile musical prodigies. In the theatre the entire stage show is given by the Hyers Colored Comedy Company, which appears in a clever musical comedy called "The Blackville Twins." During the performance solos, duets, trios, quartets, plantation melodies, dances and other specialties are introduced effectively. The different parts are well taken care of by Miss May Hyers, Miss Mary Morris, Miss Annie Sned, Miss Jennie Martin, Mrs. Ada Freeman, Charles Small, J. A. Porter, Lew Gilbert and David Robinson, the last two very clever comedians. The performance went with a roar from the first, and everybody was delighted. The specialties introduced in the last act, especially the songs and dances, banjo and bone playing, Sammers and Walters, the singing and dancing of Elsie Lorne, and the funny songs and sayings of Ben Collins are all of an enjoyable nature. Same bill all week with matinees every afternoon.

THE ZOO THEATER.

As the weather grows milder the crowds increase at this popular resort. The new drama, "The Hunter's Dogs," was produced for the first time Monday night by the Leono brothers, the principal characters being taken by Vic and Harry Leono and their wonderful dogs "Lion" and "Tiger." This play will be on the boards for three nights after which the great Mexican play, "Del monte," will be given, with the usual matinees, popular prices ruling.

NOTES.

Cinderella matinee at English's to-day. The single performance of Barlow and Wilson's popular minstrel troupe at the Grand, Thursday evening next, promises to be largely attended. Seats are selling rapidly.

Mr. James W. Morrissey, now manager of Mile. Rhea, was in the audience at the Grand last night, and seemingly enjoyed "Honest little Emma's" performance of "Mignon" as much as anybody. He it was who discovered the now popular matinee, and to his energy is largely due her success. Morrissey was also the inventor of the famous "Abbot kiss."

A Sentinel representative was privileged to see Emma Abbott last night long enough to get a brief description of some of the elegant dresses she wears. Speaking more particularly of those to be worn tonight in "Semiramide," she said: Madame Ponté-Richemont, at Paris, says I am the most extravagant "Semiramide" she ever costumed, and she made dresses for Patti, Titians and others. She said most were covered with white cashmere dresses, while I ordered three handsome oriental costumes, literally covered with hand embroidery. The veil which I wear in the death scene is one mass of gold stars. In the throne scene I wear, in addition to the usual dress, a gorgeous crimson mantle and a solid gold crown. This is the acme of my extravagance. It is surmounted with filigree. Between the seven bars swing six very large diamonds. The whole thing is surmounted by diamond and Maltese cross. There are ten diamonds in all. The crown lined with black velvet, which, as a matter of course, heightens the effect.

RAILWAY NEWS.

An I. D. and S. Appointment—A Man Who Knows Something About Poole—Other Items.

It is said that a St. Louis scalper contemplates the removal of his office to this city. The annual meeting of the Peoria, Decatur and Evansville will be held in Decatur on Saturday next.

There will be no further postponement of the sale of the Cleveland, Indiana and St. Louis Road. It will take place in this city, without fail, on April 10.

Already the work of improving the Indiana and Illinois Southern has been commenced, and about \$50,000 will be used in paving the road in good condition. Under Receiver Steel it is likely to develop into a paying property.

J. M. Chesbrough, Assistant General Passenger Agent of the Vandalia, has just issued a book of passenger tariff and supplied all agents with them. The new list contains the names of all the stations that have been established on the Vandalia since the last year, together with the rate. The rates between a number of points along the line have been changed. In some cases the fare was increased and in others a decrease was ordered.

Superintendent Bender, of the Indianapolis, Decatur and Springfield Road, says that he will begin to operate that line next Wednesday (April 1). Two regular passenger trains will be run between this city and Decatur daily, making connection with the Wabash for all Western points. Mr. Bender has appointed L. Boyd formerly of the Kentucky Central, Chief Train Dispatcher. The appointment is a good one, and Mr. Boyd has many friends in this city who will be pleased to learn of his good luck.

A few weeks ago it looked as if the Trunk Line pool on its last legs, there being every indication that it would pass out of existence before the beginning of summer, but its prospects now are somewhat brighter and there are many who believe that it will yet be passed on a sound basis. There is no doubt but that the majority of the prominent railroad men both in the East and West are excited themselves to the utmost to bring about a reorganization, but whether or not they will succeed is yet to be demonstrated.

A local railroad man is authority for the statement that Commissioner Richardson, of the Chicago and Ohio River Pool, is better acquainted with the inner workings of pools than any other man in the country. He is certainly at the head of one of the strongest pools in the country, and has shown great ability in the management of its affairs. There were many who predicted the downfall of the Chicago and Ohio River Pool a month subsequent to its organization. A year and a half has passed since it was formed, and it is on a better basis than ever before.

The St. Louis press has endeavored at all times to belittle the Indianapolis east bound pool, and has time and time again said it amounted to nothing as compared with the pool at that point. In the face of all this, a prominent railroad man of that city says no pool in the country to-day is stronger

than the Indianapolis organization. This same gentleman makes the statement that the St. Louis East bound pool is worse than no pool at all. The Vandalia, he says, did a sensible thing when it gave notice of withdrawal.

The Receivers of the operations of the branch and leased lines from May 29 to November 30, 1884, which shows that the earnings of the P. D. and E. were \$307,386.83; rental, \$104,625; total expenses, \$307,741.93; deficit, \$10,354.67; El River division earnings, \$100,011.62; rental, \$62,820; total expenses, \$260,413.26; deficit, \$70,431.64. The Indianapolis, Peru and Chicago in hands of its owners would readily develop into the paying property, but as it is now situated amounts to nothing. It is not probable, however, that the owners will secure control of it for some time to come yet.

Rumors concerning the I. D. and S. are still being circulated, and the latest is that the Chicago and Alton is desirous of securing control of this property. If it were to fall into the hands of the C. and A. people they would be compelled to extend it from its present terminus, Decatur, to Eockhouse, a distance of eighty miles. This would bring them into competition with the Vandalia, Wabash, Indiana, Bloomington and Western and I. and St. L. for Kansas City business, and as the management of the C. and A. is rather conservative, it is not likely that there is much foundation for the above report. Neither is it likely that the P. D. and E. contemplates the purchase of the I. D. and S. A local railroad man says that the P. D. and E. is bankrupt, and even if it did secure control of the I. D. and S. it could not injure the business of the E. and T. H. to any perceptible extent. The distance from Evansville to Mattoon is 128 miles, and from Indianapolis to Decatur 168, making a total distance of 296 miles. By the other line the distance from Evansville to Terra Haute is 109 miles, and to Indianapolis 73 miles, making the entire distance 182. The P. D. and E. would have 100 miles longer haul, which would make the expense of transportation too great for competition with the E. and T. H.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

Mr. Pendleton yesterday made another effort for an early adjournment by introducing a resolution fixing April 4 as the time. The resolution was defeated.

Owing to the absence of the committee appointed to attend the obsequies of the late Representative Browning, and all of whom are interested in the questions that may arise in a discussion of the General Appropriation bill, the House did not go into Committee of the Whole on that measure yesterday.

An act providing for the reorganizing of the Board of Trustees of the Home for Feeble-minded Children and Soldiers' Orphans was sent in yesterday and approved by the Governor. The Board of Trustees will consist of one woman and two men—a Democrat and Republican—and the board will be designated as the Board of Trustees of Soldiers' Orphans' Home.

The bill providing the appointment of a boiler inspector was defeated in the House yesterday. Under its provisions each boiler in the State would have to be inspected at least once a year, and it was said that the fee provided for in the bill would create an office worth \$75,000 per annum. This appeared to be the principal objection to its passage. In the afternoon the bill was again called up, and recommended to a special committee.

The two bills providing for the raising of money to complete the new State House were made the special order for 2 o'clock this afternoon. One of these, introduced by the Ways and Means Committee, provides for a continuation of the two-cent tax levy and an appropriation of \$150,000 for furnishing the building. The other was prepared by a special committee and provides for the regular levy and a temporary loan of \$50,000 in addition.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Charles Tarleton, of Lafayette, was in the city yesterday.

W. B. Walls, Anderson; Mrs. E. Kehlman and John W. Bowman, Huntington; E. B. Smith and M. Hathaway, New Castle; James Baldwin, Greentield; D. S. Campbell, Lafayette, and L. M. Wainright, Noblesville, are at Hotel English.

At the Bates House: W. C. Lehman, Valparaiso; E. L. McFadden, Columbia City; C. B. Stevenson, E. T. Parker, Logansport; Adolph Rogers, Joshua J. Morris, T. B. Redding, New Castle; Mrs. E. A. Moore, Kokomo; T. F. Rose, S. M. Highlands, Muncie; Jerome Herff, J. O. Cole, Peru; H. J. Marshall, Aurora; C. W. Schindler, New Albany; Charles H. Knight, Brazil; F. L. Snyder and wife, Clarence Galey, Crawfordsville; P. Shannon, Terra Haute; Miss Minnie Harbison, Miss Nettie Outter, Miss Georgia Keating, J. A. Scott, B. T. Cowen, Greencastle; H. B. Reid, J. W. Sanberry, Anderson.

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LOCAL COURTS.

SUPERIOR COURT.
Room 1.—Hon. N. B. Taylor, Judge.
Union Mutual Life Insurance Company vs. James Buchanan. To correct record. Dismissed.

Charles Rohrer vs. Mary Rohrer et al. Appeal. Judgment for defendant.
Eulalia J. Jackson et al. vs. John F. Jackson et al. Foreclosure of mortgage and account. On trial by Court.

Room 2.—Hon. D. W. Howe, Judge.
Frank M. Wright vs. the city of Indianapolis. Damages. On trial by jury.

Agnes G. Chason et al. vs. Curtis L. Chittenden. Divorce. Dismissed.

Room 3.—Hon. Lewis C. Walker, Judge.
William K. Smith et al. vs. Samuel Horowitz. Replevin. Dismissed.

Jacob D. Hoes vs. Daniel H. Wiles. Suit for street improvement. Finding for plaintiff.

Room 4.—Hon. Samuel D. Porter, Judge.
State vs. Samuel D. Porter. Assault and battery with intent to commit rape. On trial by jury.